

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Hiroto OKAWARA

Serial No.: 10/803,637

Filed: March 18, 2004

IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS, CONTROL  
METHOD, AND STORAGE MEDIUM WITH  
FOCUS CONTROL FOR CONTROLLINGTitle: MOVING AMOUNT OF A FOCUS LENS BASED  
ON DETECTED OPERATION AMOUNT OF  
MANUALLY OPERATED OPERATING MEMBER  
AND DEPTH OF FOCUS (AS AMENDED)

Group Art Unit: 2622

Examiner: Usman A. Khan

Attorney Docket No.: CANO:132

Confirmation No.: 5358

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Sir:

Applicant hereby requests that the Patent Office correct a typographical error in the title as it appears on the Notice of Allowance for the above-identified application. For the convenience of the Patent Office, a portion of the amendment filed on March 30, 2008, indicating the correct title, and a marked copy of the Notice of Allowance, are enclosed. The Examiner is requested to forward a corrected Notice of Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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**SUBMISSION UNDER RULE 114 - AMENDMENT**  
**WITH RCE TRANSMITTAL**

Sir:

In reply to the Final rejection dated 31 December 2007, applicant concurrently files a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). This application has been amended as indicated below. This reply is timely. Should this reply require any unaccounted fee, such as for any claim surcharge and any additional extension(s) of time, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required to maintain the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-2056.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

*The Title of the invention as previously amended has been amended further as follows:*

IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS, CONTROL METHOD, AND ~~COMPUTER-READABLE~~  
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